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EXAMINER: Unassigned

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GROUP ART UNIT: 1764

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FOR: HYDROCONVERSION  
PROCESS FOR MAKING  
LUBRICATING OIL  
BASESTOCKS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Applicants respectfully request that the following preliminary amendment be entered prior to commencement of examination.

Please substitute the following paragraph under the heading "Cross-Reference to Related Applications" on the cover page of the application and as paragraph 0001 on the first page of the application.

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

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This is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/737,044 filed December 14, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/532,377 filed March 21, 2000 which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/318,075 filed May 25, 1999, which is a divisional of U.S. patent application Serial No. 08/768,252, filed December 17, 1996, now abandoned. patented No. 6,096,189

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